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An Official Action mailed 1 December 2009 (hereinafter "the 12/1 Action") has been received and considered.

This responsive submission, which accompanies a Request for Continued Examination, is being made within three months of the mailing date of the 12/1 Action. Accordingly, no extension of time fees are believed necessary for its entry and consideration; however, if any such fee is or becomes due, the same can be charged to the deposit account no. 06-0925.

This Amendment includes the following parts:

- Amendments to the claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this submission.
- \triangleright Remarks begin on page <u>5</u> of this submission.